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SIR:

In response to the final Office Action of January 26, 2006, kindly reconsider the above-captioned application in view of the following.

Amendments to the Claims are not presented in this paper, but a listing of the claims is presented beginning on page 2 of this paper for the Examiner's convenience.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.